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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **Ken HIRANO et al.**

Group Art Unit: **3654**

Application Number: **10/533,109**

Examiner: **Terrell Howard Matthews**

Filed: **April 28, 2005**

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For: **METHOD FOR SORTING AND RECOVERING FINE PARTICLES,
AND APPARATUS FOR RECOVERY**

Attorney Docket Number: **052525**

Customer Number: **38834**

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

February 28, 2007

Sir:


Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated August 31, 2006 for three months from November 30, 2006 to February 28, 2007.

Attached please find a check in the amount of \$1020.00 for the cost of the extension.

If any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

Respectfully submitted,

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